

# Duane Morris Elevates Four Attorneys to Special Counsel

Duane Morris LLP is pleased to announce that it has promoted four associates to special counsel.

These newly named special counsel are:

- David A. Kahn, Health Law Practice Group, Miami
- Heather N. King, Corporate Practice Group, Baltimore
- Stuart I. Seiden, Trial Practice Group, Philadelphia
- Gretchen L. Temeles, Ph.D., Intellectual Property Practice Group, Philadelphia

“David, Heather, Stuart and Gretchen are tremendous attorneys and have proven their commitment to our clients through their hard work and initiative,” said Duane Morris Chairman and CEO Matthew A. Taylor. “We’re pleased to be able to recognize their accomplishments and look forward to watching them continue to build prosperous legal careers.”

David A. Kahn practices in the areas of corporate and healthcare law, with a particular emphasis on mergers and acquisitions, regulatory compliance, corporate entity and limited liability company formation and organization, and other general corporate matters. He has experience in the preparation of stock, membership interest and asset purchase agreements, operating agreements and shareholder agreements, employment agreements, confidentiality, noncompetition, nonsolicitation and nondisclosure agreements, general corporate counseling and other transactional matters.

Kahn is a graduate of Emory University School of Law (J.D., 2007), where he was a member of the Moot Court Society, and a graduate of Union College (B.A., 2002). Prior to entering law school, Kahn worked as a corporate paralegal for two years at an international law firm.

Heather N. King practices in the area of corporate and securities law, representing clients in connection with complex financings, mergers and acquisitions, venture capital and private securities offerings. She regularly advises management teams and board of directors regarding corporate governance and matters relating to company operations. King has extensive experience advising clients in a variety of industries, including corporate clients in the technology, financial services, consumer products and healthcare industries.

King is a graduate of the University of Baltimore School of Law (J.D., magna cum laude, 2008), where she was associate comments editor of the Law Review, and a graduate of Stevenson University (B.S., magna cum laude, 2000).

Stuart I. Seiden practices in the area of litigation and focuses on representing the interests of clients in state, federal and bankruptcy court litigation matters throughout New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania. He has experience in mortgage-related litigation; consumer bankruptcy, including adversary proceedings; consumer credit card litigation; and consumer and commercial collections litigation. Seiden's practice includes defending lenders, servicers and credit card companies from actions brought under TILA, RESPA, HOEPA, NJHOSA, ECOA, FCRA, TCPA and state consumer fraud statutes. He also responds to consumer disputes sent to his clients by state attorneys general offices, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau and other regulatory agencies. Seiden also has appellate experience in the mortgage-related litigation space.

Seiden is a graduate of Rutgers University School of Law-Camden (J.D., 2005), Lebanon Valley College (B.A., 2002) and The Hill School (1998). Prior to entering private practice, he served as law clerk to the late Hon. M. Allan Vogelson, presiding judge, Chancery Division, Camden County Superior Court. Additionally, Seiden worked for The Sports

Corporation, a major professional hockey agency in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Gretchen L. Temeles, Ph.D., focuses her practice on patent procurement and patent portfolio management in the biotechnology, chemical and pharmaceutical industries. She counsels clients from multiple industry sectors including established specialty chemical, diagnostic and medical device companies, midmarket biotech companies, medical cannabis and cannabinoids, early stage startup companies and universities. Temeles' experience includes both U.S. and international patent prosecution, patent landscape analyses, freedom-to-operate searches, patent due diligence, noninfringement and invalidity opinions and European opposition proceedings. She works with clients to balance their patent and trade secret portfolios and assists clients with transactional work, including material transfer agreements, sponsored research agreements and licensing agreements. Temeles has experience in prelitigation and litigation matters in molecular diagnostics.

Temeles is a graduate of Temple University Beasley School of Law (J.D., 2009), Yale University (Ph.D., biology, 1987) and the University of Pennsylvania (B.A., cum laude, 1974). Prior to her legal career, Temeles was a research scientist and group leader in a biotechnology company, where she worked on target identification and small molecule drug discovery. Previously, she held research positions at the University of Pennsylvania and Merck Sharpe and Dohme Research Laboratories. Temeles is a co-inventor on two U.S. patents and has authored peer-reviewed scientific papers.

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